



Facilities Usage Committee
2009-2010

Community Forum
November 11, 2009

Agenda

- Short Presentation
- Feedback from community on options
 - Based on sign up sheets only
 - Will begin with comments from tonight's region

Committee Mission

- Provide Facilities Use Options to the district for all Educational Facilities
- Align recommended options with Board “Ends Policies”
- Maintain the district mission of providing a quality education that prepares all children for a successful future

Board Charge

- **Study** current facilities based on:
 - capacity, enrollment, future enrollment,
 - school district & unique needs,
 - special programs, future direction,
 - educational specs, financial stewardship.
- **Recommend *options*** for facility usage. Options could include but not limited to:
 - repurposing of buildings
 - school closures, and/or
 - boundary/transportation changes

Criteria

- Operating Costs
- Enrollment Trends
- Choice (Net)
- Capacity Utilization
- Building Condition
- Academic Achievement

Options

- Used all criteria as part of evaluation
- Looked at articulation areas first, then across articulation areas
- All options that go forward will have further vetting that includes special needs programs, transportation and other issues.

Framing the Issue

- Flat enrollment
- Approximately 11,500 empty seats
 - Does not account for Title I or other programs
- 380+ temporary buildings used for:
 - 230 for regular CR, K CR and P
 - 150 for Spec. Ed, resource rooms, music, offices, weight rooms, maint. or storage

Framing the Issue

- Facing deep budget cuts
 - Cutting \$15 to \$20 million a year for the next 2 yrs and
 - Anticipate using \$30M of reserves
- Every \$1M saves 20 teaching positions

Themes

- Four general themes that the committee would also like feedback on:
 - Reduction of temps - no new temps
 - Move 6th grade up to middle school
 - Live within school's permanent capacity
 - Cuts in facilities lessens the cuts in classroom - "make tough cuts now"

Feedback Norms

- Be respectful of all ideas and questions.
- Presume positive intent.
- Everyone is encouraged to participate.
- No such thing as a dumb idea or comment.
- General questions will be clustered by common theme and will be answered in the online Frequently Asked Questions

Community Input

- All methods will have equal consideration; quality of the comment not the quantity of the comments
 - Video recording in a separate room
 - Note cards provided
 - Public Comment Forums
 - Website feedback – computers are outside to provide comments @

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Speaking Rules

- Comments on committee work only
 - Other issues write on note card & give to staff
- Based on sign up sheets
- Each speaker has 2 minutes to speak
 - 30 seconds to review comments
- Groups of 4 or more
 - identify one speaker
 - 6 minutes with 1 minute for review.